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MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Deputy Director for Administration
FROM: John F. Blake Acting Deputy Director of Central Intelligence
SUBJECT: Relationships with Agency Contractors
1. An IG report of 2 May 1977 on the case contained information that the Agency's comments had been sought and provided on certain private transactions of an Agency contractor. As a result of this report, Hank Knoche asked o assemble a task force to recommend a policy concerning requests by Agency contractors for our comment on such transactions.
2. The task force's report is attached. It provides additional background on the issues the task force examined and contains recommendations concerning both requests for our comment by Agency contractors and the need for safeguards in the administration of quick reaction contracts. After review of the report and recommendations I have decided that:
a. all requests by Agency or other contractors for our comment on non-Agency, non-U.S. Government transactions should be referred to the Offices of Logistics and General Counsel for a joint response; and,
b. we should require that all contracting officer technical representatives (COTR's) notify their contracting officers and immediate supervisors promptly following any verbal request to a contractor by the COTR for initiation of work or performance under a quick reaction contract. The notification by the COTR should be in writing.
3. Please prepare an appropriate issuance for my signature which will provide notification of this policy and require that it be incor- porated in Agency regulations.
John F. Blake
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